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H.B. No. 3683

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the requirements for screenings to detect vision and hearing disorders in public or private preschools and schools.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 36.004(a), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The board by rule shall require screening of individuals who attend public or private preschools or schools to detect vision and hearing disorders and any other special senses or communication disorders specified by the board. In developing the rules, the board may consider the number of individuals to be screened and the availability of:

(1) personnel qualified to administer the required screening;

(2) appropriate screening equipment, including instrument-based and electronic screening technologies; and

(3) state and local funds for screening activities.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.